IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Hitch

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Filed: March 30, 2004

Examiner: Elizabeth M. Cole

For: NONWOVEN FIBER MATS WITH SMOOTH SURFACES AND METHOD

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Amendment and Request For Reconsideration

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 30, 2006, please amend the application as follows:

Please amend the title to read:

NONWOVEN FIBER MATS WITH SMOOTH SURFACES AND LAMINATES

Please amend the claims as follows: